

Minutes of the Mt. Vernon – Black Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting, March 17th, 2011

The Mt. Vernon – Black Township Parks and Recreation Department Board held its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 17th, 2011, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizen Center, at 6:00 p.m. Attending the meeting was: Park Board President – Ron Bennett, Park Board Members – Linc Baro, Don Oeth and Synda Waters. Parks Director - John Tate and Park Board Secretary – Debra Scott.

Board member Kelly Cox was not present.

The motion to authorize payment of claims was made by Linc Baro and seconded by Synda Waters. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the minutes as written or corrected from the February 17th, 2011, meeting was made by Linc Baro, after making corrections for the amount owed to GE / SABIC refund and Synda Waters seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the balance of accounts to be entered into the minutes subject to audit for March 17th, 2011, was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Bidding for 2011 and Transfers** – Mr. Tate sent a third vendor a letter about the work to be done at Brittlebank swimming pool, the vendor never responded. Mr. Tate did hand the Board a Revised Quotation from L & W on the project at Brittlebank Pool. L & W offered a reduction from the original quote. The reduced price for the whole project came to \$49,200.00. Mr. Tate stated the department had encumbered \$28,000.00 from 2010 to help with the cost of the patch work and painting of the swimming pool. Mr. Tate stated L & W would like 30% up front, which would need to be paid by the end of March. The quote went on to describe the work in detail that L & W would be doing to the swimming pool. Mr. Tate stated the swimming pool will be 41 years old this summer and the gutters will need to be replaced in the near future. New stainless steel gutters would cost over \$200,000.00. Mr. Tate may talk with Mayor Tucker about the City's capital fund to help pay for the project.
2. **GE / SABIC Refund** – Mr. Tate stated he had no update.
3. **Posey County Economic Development** – Mr. Tate did go to the court house and checked on the land beside the Park & Recreation Department. The land and building both say the City of Mt. Vernon owns them. City Attorney Higgins had not responded as of meeting time.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fairview Park - Mr. Tate stated The City Attorney asked if the Board had made a motion to give Fairview Park back to Jim Davis, the original owner of Fairview Park. Mrs. Synda Waters made the motion to return the Fairview Park property back over to land owner Jim Davis, Linc Baro seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
2. Lawn Tractor purchase- The maintenance crew have a John Deere mower that is over 10 years old, basically it is used to drag the ball field. Mr. Tate stated the mower is in bad condition and he has a 16 year old Toro mower at home he would like to sell the maintenance crew. Mr. Tate checked on E-bay and Craig's list to see what the Toro mower was selling for. Mr. Tate stated the same model of mower was selling anywhere from \$250.00 - \$375.00. Mr. Linc Baro made the motion to buy Mr. John Tate's Toro mower for \$350.00, Mrs. Synda Waters seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
3. Remote Control Race car track- Mr. Tate stated the maintenance men would like to build a race car track for remote control cars to race on. The track would be placed on the Westside of Brittlebank and be approximately 100 feet by 100 feet; and anyone could bring their remote control cars out to race. After a brief discussion Don Oeth made the motion to allow the race car track to be built, Linc Baro seconded it. Motion Carried.
4. Board Meeting Day and Time – Mr. Tate stated that Board member Kelly Cox had approached him about changing the day and time of the Parks Board meeting. Mr. Kelly Cox teaches a class on Thursday evenings which will be over after April. After the Board discussed the issue they decided to leave the date as is.

Motion was made to adjourn by Synda Waters and seconded by Linc Baro.

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

John Tate, Parks Director

Ron Bennett, Board President

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, April 21st, 2011, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizens Center.